



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Yusuke ISHIDA) Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/790,838) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: March 3, 2004)
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS) April 20, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application, as follows.